

SGCN and Habitat Stressors

Level 1 Threat Human Intrusions and Disturbance

Level 2 Threat: War, Civil Unrest and Military Exercises

Description: Actions by formal or paramilitary forces without a permanent footprint

Species Associated With This Stressor: **Total SGCN:** 1: 2 2: 4 3:

Class	<i>Mammalia</i> (Mammals)	SGCN Category
Species: <i>Balaenoptera musculus</i> (Blue Whale)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Military sonar exercises can damage hearing, diving capabilities, and ability to communicate in marine mammal populations. There is a low likelihood of influencing military operations.		
Species: <i>Balaenoptera physalus</i> (Finback Whale)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
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Species: <i>Megaptera novaeangliae</i> (Humpback Whale)		1
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
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Species: <i>Eubalaena glacialis</i> (North Atlantic Right Whale)		1
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
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Species: <i>Balaenoptera borealis</i> (Sei Whale)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
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Species: <i>Physeter macrocephalus</i> (Sperm Whale)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
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No Habitats Currently Assigned To This Stressor.

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The Wildlife Action Plan was developed through a lengthy participatory process with state agencies, targeted conservation partners, and the general public. The Plan is non-regulatory. The species, stressors, and voluntary conservation actions identified in the Plan complement, but do not replace, existing work programs and priorities by state agencies and partners.